GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:64
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MIGRATION FROM J & K
NAWAL KISHORE RAI;SUSHIL KUMAR INDORA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether several families residing along Pakistan border in Jammu and Kashmir has migrated after the announcement of unilateral ceasefire in the State;

(b) if so, the number of persons migrated from these villages after the announcement alongwith the names of these villages;

(c) whether the Government have beefed up security in the border villages including the sensitive areas of the State before the announcement of ceasefire; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)&(b): No report has been received from the State Government regarding migration from the border villages after the announcement of peace initiative in the State of J&K.

(c)&(d): Anti-infiltration operations along the IB/LoC are being continued as they were being carried out before initiation of Ramzan Peace Initiative and steps are being taken at International Border and LoC to check both the infiltration as well as exfiltration of the militants. In fact, there has not been any lowering of guard in the border areas along IB/LoC. As regards other sensitive areas of the State, the deployment and strategy followed by the Security Forces are dynamic in nature and are reviewed at various forums like UHQ to meet the changing situation and challenges being thrown up by the terrorists. Action is being taken without transgressing either the spirit or the letter of the Government`s peace initiative.